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Janean Watkins (left) and Lakeesha Harris kiss after becoming the first couple to receive a civil union license in Chicago. REUTERS



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By Jessica Gallart
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Worldwide Weird

Sometimes the news is just too odd to pass up

Remember balloon boy?

Richard Heene's claim in 2009 that his son was in a loose balloon prompted live coverage nationwide of authorities tracking the craft while they grappled over how to rescue the boy inside. When the balloon came to rest in a field, however, Heene's son was not inside. The boy later was found hiding in the family's house.

Now, the self-styled scientist behind the "balloon boy hoax" is offering up the saucer in an online auction to benefit relief efforts in Japan, according to **balloonboyflying saucer.com**. The site, which claims to be the work of California lawyer Perry Rausher, assures potential bidders that Heene will not receive any money from the auction.

"The winning bidder's funds will go directly into the Trust Account of Attorney Perry H. Rausher of Calabasas, California. Mr. Rausher will then write a check to a selected charitable organization that is helping the Japanese

cause. The Heene family will not receive anything from the sale," the site says.

Rausher did not immediately return calls for comment.

The site says visitors can purchase the saucer outright for \$1 million or submit a bid online. In addition to the questions mentioned above, the form also inquires of "your main

interest" in the craft, how it will be used and whether potential buyers have read Heene's paper, "Electromagnetic Fields Recorded in Mesocyclones."

The site also contains a link to a YouTube video of Heene and his wife, standing outside in front of a deflated silver balloon while they explain their motives behind the sale

and the craft's functionality.

"We went on the Internet and we saw that over 18,000 people have perished over in Japan because of that tsunami," Heene says in the video.

"We thought, how can we help out? We can't with our hands but we have something that we think could help."



Investigators at the spot where the balloon landed in 2009. INSET: Richard Heene is shown with his son, Falcon. AP FILE PHOTOS



Pot stuff, Aisle 7

Call it the "Wal-Mart of Weed."

This newest big-box store is devoted to selling marijuana-growing equipment.

Its biggest outlet yet opens this week in Phoenix, where Arizona voters last fall approved medical cannabis.

The weGrow Store will be the first outside California, where medical weed long has been legalized. None of the chain's three stores sell the drug. Instead, they promote medical marijuana by offering "everything—from supplies to services—that cultivators need to grow it," the company says.

What sets weGrow apart from the mom-and-pop stores selling the growing supplies is that weGrow openly states its hydroponic equipment is intended for pot, a spokeswoman said. **CNN**



Hey, that's not Gaga!

A New Jersey school employee is under fire for enlisting an impersonator to fill in for Lady Gaga, who was slated to talk to elementary school students about the dangers of bullying, school officials said.

Tenafly Public Schools administrators were alerted of the gaffe by one school-age Lady Gaga fan who wasn't fooled by a phony autographed photo of the pop star, superintendent Lynn Trager said.

"We are all disappointed and surprised," said Trager, who outlined the details of the May 25 stunt in a letter sent to elementary school parents in the district last week.



The real Lady Gaga. REUTERS

According to the letter, the staff member who arranged for Lady Gaga to give an anti-bullying presentation to students via Skype claimed to have a personal relationship with the singer. But in the 11th hour, Lady Gaga backed out.

"Knowing how disappointed the children would be, without authorization the staff developer made arrangements for an impersonator to take Lady Gaga's place—a clear lapse in judgment," the letter said.

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Women, police have trust issues

Slutwalk, a provocatively named march that has become a global movement, isn't about wearing as little as possible and celebrating sluttiness—though that's certainly the impression random commenters on Slutwalk Chicago's Facebook wall seem to have.

It's about women taking to the streets to protest against sexual violence with messages such as: "Whatever we wear, wherever we go, yes means yes and no means no." Words like that set a warm little feminist fire in my heart.

The movement was sparked in January when a Toronto police officer remarked that women could stop street harassment by not dressing like a "slut." In response, women took to the street in "slutty" or "not slutty" clothes and made their collective voice heard. The "protest against police" mentality of the first march doesn't seem to have spread, with more cities focusing on issues such as street harassment and slut-shaming (attacking a woman for sexual choices that often would get a man labeled a "stud"). However, as Slutwalk arrives Saturday in Chicago, the city couldn't be more ripe for an examination of women's trust issues with the police.

In March, a 22-year-old woman reported being raped by two Chicago police officers. According to prosecutors, she accepted a ride home from the on-duty cops before she was assaulted in their marked SUV and then raped in her Rogers Park home. Last week she filed a federal lawsuit alleging one of the officers had been implicated in another on-duty assault before her own incident and accusing the police of a "code of silence."

These officers have only been charged and not convicted, but the news doesn't exactly build trust in Chicago cops, does it? And I'm not saying all Chicago cops are misogynists, but my own confidence was shaken when I was stopped by police officers, seemingly for nothing but wearing a strapless summer dress in a shabbier part of Bucktown. They questioned me about where I was going, what I was wearing and whether my boyfriend was black or white. They checked my ID and ended with telling me that I shouldn't be out in that neighborhood.

I'll be at Slutwalk Chicago on Saturday, and what I'd most like to see is women not only asserting and reclaiming that their "dress is not a yes" but going back to the movement's roots and opening the dialogue about their relationship with the police.

What should Chicago cops who participate in this kind of behavior take away from Slutwalk? My hope is they see these protesters (in underwear or not) and listen. Treat those of us on the street with as much respect as they treat the women they know and love.

So many women have stories about being harassed or harmed or shamed by cops in Chicago and beyond. These are stories that should be out there. Liberation of each story is education, and we're marching toward something greater for us all.

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BLOOMING UNIONS

SAME-SEX COUPLES LINE UP FOR LICENSES ON FIRST DAY ALLOWED BY STATE LAW



Couples wait in line to apply for civil union licenses at the Cook County Clerk's office Wednesday.

E. JASON WAMBSGANS/TRIBUNE

Chicago Tribune

Janean Watkins and Lakeesha Harris have been together for a decade. They have six children, yet have remained unrecognized as a family by the state of Illinois.

That changed at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday as the couple walked up to a smiling worker at the Cook County Office of Vital Records and obtained a civil union license, a document that will grant them the same state-level rights that come with marriage.

"It's historic," said Watkins, who camped out overnight outside the Daley Center with Harris so they could be first in line. "We wanted to be first. We wanted to make a statement. For us, for our kids. It really means something."

DOWNTOWN CEREMONIES

The city's LGBT advisory council and several co-sponsors will host 30 civil union ceremonies Thursday in Millennium Park.

Time: 10 a.m.

Date: Thursday

Place: North Michigan Avenue and East Randolph Street

As they were handed the license, Harris burst into tears and Watkins held her tightly while about 100 other couples erupted in applause.

As Illinois became the sixth state to allow civil unions or their equivalent, the couples who flocked to clerk's offices across the Chicago area mirrored the diversity of the gay

and lesbian community. There were young couples with spiked hair and nose piercings, older couples who have been together for decades, military veterans, city workers, parents pushing strollers.

"Their love and commitment needs no validation," said Debra Shore, commissioner of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District, as she addressed the Daley Center crowd.

"But today the engine of government says we will move toward justice and fairness."

More than 150 licenses were obtained Wednesday through the Cook County clerk's offices, with many more taken out in surrounding counties.

As with a marriage, couples have to wait

one day before holding a ceremony. On Thursday, Gov. Quinn and Mayor Emanuel will be in Millennium Park as more than 30 couples enter into civil unions.

"I signed that law and I think it's a good law," Quinn said Wednesday. "I think it makes us a better state."

Though there were no protesters around the Daley Center, opponents of the civil union law are trying to muster support to put an advisory referendum measure that would oppose the new law on the 2012 ballot.

Catholic officials have said there's a lack of clarity in the law as to whether religious child welfare agencies will be required to place children with couples in civil unions. Catholic

PUBLIC OPINION

Same-sex couples should be allowed to get married. Do you agree or disagree?

Agree
Disagree

1988

12%

73%

2004

30%

59%

2006

35%

52%

2008

40%

48%



Charities of Rockford, for example, halted adoption and foster services Wednesday rather than comply with the law.

Jim Darby, a 79-year-old veteran and head of the Chicago chapter of American Veterans for Equal Rights, said he and his partner of 47 years didn't want to wait to get a civil union license, knowing that any law can be challenged.

"Do it now," Darby said while standing in line at the Daley Center with his partner, Patrick Bova, who also was celebrating his 73rd birthday. "Tomorrow is promised to no one. Why not get down here today?"

Of course, with the right to form civil unions comes the mechanism to dissolve them. First thing Wednesday morning, a

Chicago attorney filed a petition for divorce in Peoria County Circuit Court on behalf of a man who married his partner in Canada in 2006.

Whether it's the right to come together or to separate, advocates of gay and lesbian rights say the civil unions law is worthy of celebration, but they stress that it in no way marks the end of their work. The next step

would be to follow either a judicial or legislative path toward legalizing same-sex marriage.

"This is a step closer," said Ann Perkins, a lawyer in the city of Chicago's Law Department, as she waited in line with her partner and their 10-year-old son. "But whatever relief this brings is tempered by the fact that we still don't have full rights."

Civil unions: A breakdown

Under the law that went into effect Wednesday, two people entering into a civil union are entitled to the same legal treatment under Illinois law as spouses. Here are a few of the rights same-sex couples in a civil union now have:

- » If one member of the couple is hospitalized, the other will be allowed to visit in the hospital and make medical decisions on his or her behalf.
- » In the event of a death with no will, the surviving partner will receive assets and has the right to file a wrongful death lawsuit.
- » Couples will be protected from having to testify against each other in state court.
- » If one member of a couple has a pension, the other will be entitled to a survivor pension benefit. **TRIBUNE**

Support for same-sex marriage ballooning

Chicago Tribune

In 1988, the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago added a question to its annual social survey: "Same-sex couples should be allowed to get married. Do you agree or disagree?"

That first year, only about 12 percent of Americans agreed. But by 2010, that figure had leapt to 46 percent in favor of same-sex marriage compared with 40 percent opposed. It was the first time the number agreeing outpaced the number disagreeing.

On Wednesday, Illinois became the sixth state to offer civil unions or their equivalent to same-sex couples. Observers of the gay and lesbian civil rights movement say that the new Illinois law, coupled with statistical and anecdotal evidence of widespread changing attitudes, indicates that the push for full equality will continue—likely with considerable success.

"It just adds to the sense of inevitable social change," said Andrew Koppelman, a professor of political science and law at Northwestern University. "This has been a spectacularly successful social movement. In about 10 years, they've reached the point where a quarter of the population of the United States lives someplace that at least has civil unions. And that's from nothing."

Recent events in the world of professional basketball demonstrated, to some degree, how attitudes toward gays and lesbians have changed.

Phoenix Suns CEO Rick Welts came out last month, saying he wanted to open up a conversation about the topic of homosexuality in men's team sports. In Chicago, Bulls center Joakim Noah was excoriated—and fined \$50,000 by the league—for hurling an anti-gay slur toward a fan during a playoff game.

"The mindset that holds that homosexuality is unthinkable is disappearing in American culture," Koppelman said.

The numbers buttress that claim.

Tom Smith, director of the General Social Survey at the National Opinion Research Center, said that in terms of approval of gay marriage, the nearly fourfold increase since 1988 is "one of the biggest changes we've seen in the last 20 years."

2010

46%

40%

SOURCES: HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN, 1988-2010
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Quinn still mum on casino issue

Chicago Tribune

Gov. Quinn said Wednesday he'll have to review a massive gambling expansion bill before deciding whether to sign it, reiterating concerns that it's "top heavy."

"I have told the legislators over and over again, the people of Illinois do not want an excessive gambling bill that's top heavy," Quinn said. "I think there are parameters that if they were followed" would allow the state to do this in a proper way.

"Once the General Assembly got this subject, it got more and more top heavy. We've got to make sure the people come first. ... If they are in any way harmed by this particular legislation, I won't approve it."

Quinn did not say he would veto the measure, nor did he say he would sign it. He talked about how he wanted to hear what "the people" think, that he wants every provision, including some that were added at the last minute, to come out and be considered by the public.

Quinn also said he has met with Mayor Emanuel about the plan, which includes a Chicago casino. Quinn said he talked with Emanuel about 10 days ago in Chicago about 15 issues or so. Quinn said he told Emanuel he supports a Chicago casino but worried about the gambling push getting "excessive."

In Chicago, Emanuel talked about his interaction with Quinn on the casino.

"In my conversations with him he sees the strengths," Emanuel said.

Emanuel didn't want to talk about the location of a Chicago casino, either.

"At the appropriate time we'll figure it out," Emanuel said of a potential site. "We'll get a group to decide where and how it will work."

Emanuel was asked about a new casino helping the city financially.

"This does not absolve us from the responsibility of making tough decisions when it comes to our budget," Emanuel said. "It's not a panacea."

Emergency phones off the hook at parks

Chicago Tribune

In the stairwells of the underground parking garages serving Millennium and Grant parks, wires dangle from the red metal boxes that house emergency telephones.

The phones, located on all levels, have been out of commission since mid-May because of a project to upgrade the system, and they won't be re-connected until July. That has left some garage-users, forced to rely on spotty cellphone service, a bit nervous.

"I am concerned about crime," said Judith Aronson, 57, who uses the Millennium Park Garage when she needs to drive to work instead of take the train. "I don't like being alone and not knowing if my cellphone is dead ... or has a signal."

Morgan Stanley, which leases the garages, is not required to provide emergency phone service but chose to invest in a system upgrade, leading to the temporary outage, according to a spokeswoman for LAZ Parking, which operates the facilities.

"Because of the fact that you can use your cellphone, you don't really need to worry about the emergency phones," said LAZ spokeswoman Avis LaVelle. "The system is being upgraded ... to improve the quality of response."

The emergency phones are connected to the garage office, where attendants can dispatch a security guard or get help for a motorist whose car has a dead battery or other problem.

LaVelle said enhanced technology will better allow people "to reach the office in case they need help in a hurry," but couldn't offer further details on the project.



Puppy pleasers

Cooper, a 12-week-old golden retriever, enjoys a doggie biscuit held by his owner, Sue Stefans, as he gets pampered Wednesday at the annual Doggie Tea Party. The Palmer House Hilton hosted Chicago's most debonair dogs for a special high tea event in its famed Empire Room, complete with food, drinks and entertainment. **ANTONIO PEREZ/TRIBUNE**

CITY SAYS NO TO TASTE FIREWORKS

There will be no fireworks display connected with this year's Taste of Chicago, a move the Chicago Park District took to save money.

Park District spokeswoman Jessica Maxey-Faulkner said the district thought the city-run fireworks were "a reasonable expense to cut" since there are fireworks scheduled for July 2 and July 4 at Navy Pier. Those displays are run by the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority.

"We're encouraging people to go to those fireworks displays," Maxey-Faulkner said.

Last year, the city put on three smaller fireworks displays along the lakefront rather than one large downtown display. **TRIBUNE**

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Former Gov. Rod Blagojevich arrives at court Wednesday. JOSÉ M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE

Blago judge lays the smack down

Reuters

Rod Blagojevich's long-winded testimony in his corruption retrial drew harsh criticism from a federal judge Wednesday, who took the unusual step of ordering the defense to end their examination of the former governor without delay.

"I think it would be better for the administration of justice if you got your client to stick to the point of the question," U.S. District Judge James B. Zagel told Blagojevich's lawyer, Aaron Goldstein, outside the presence of the jury. "There are some things now that have been repeated for the 15th and 16th time. If the jury doesn't get what his position is by now, we may as well give up all hope."

Zagel said Blagojevich liked to give campaign speeches and it's "not doing the trial any good and it's probably not doing your client any good."

Blagojevich is on trial for the second time, charged with 20 counts for allegedly trying to trade government action for personal and political gain. He was convicted

of just one count of lying to federal officials at his first trial last summer—the jury could not reach a decision on the other charges.

Blagojevich did not testify at his last trial.

Jurors heard little from Blagojevich on Wednesday, his fourth day of testimony. About 30 minutes after they were brought in and Blagojevich began testifying, Zagel sent them out again because the former governor kept trying to testify that wire-tapped conversations played by prosecutors were redacted to eliminate things Blagojevich said were good for his case.

The issue of what recordings would be played and where they could be redacted was the subject of multiple pre-trial rulings by the judge.

"He ought to know he can't draw that inference," Zagel said. "That's not fair."

Zagel said Blagojevich could never refer to "those asterisks again," meaning markers on the transcripts showing where there were redactions.

Fenger defendant guilty

The fifth and final defendant charged in the infamous videotaped beating death of a Fenger High School student in 2009 was convicted of the murder by a Cook County jury Wednesday afternoon.

Free rides for seniors to end

Free rides for most senior citizens on the CTA, Metra and Pace will end Sept. 1, officials said Wednesday. Gov. Quinn decided in February to sign legislation limiting free rides to only low-income senior citizens.

Daley takes on law firm gig

Former Mayor Richard M. Daley is joining the Chicago-based law firm of Katten Muchin Rosenman, which played a major role in negotiating the city's often-criticized parking meter lease deal.

Tilted Kilt employees sue

Current and former employees of a Tilted Kilt sports bar in the Loop have filed a sexual harassment complaint. The owner declined to comment. **TRIBUNE**

Homicide tracker

By Tracy Swartz | REDEYE

Six men and two women were shot to death in eight South Side community areas from Monday to Tuesday, a RedEye analysis of preliminary police data found.

The victims Monday were a 16-year-old woman in the 900 block of West Garfield Boulevard in New City; a 22-year-old woman in the 5700 block of South Lake Shore Drive in Hyde Park; a 26-year-old man in the 7600 block of South Eberhart Avenue in Greater Grand Crossing; and a 27-year-old man in the 6500 block of South Lowe Avenue in Englewood, police said.

The victims Tuesday were a 20-year-old man in the 300 block of East 60th Street in Washington Park; a 22-year-old man in the 5500 block of South Princeton Avenue in Fuller Park; a 25-year-old man in the 7900 block of South Artesian Avenue in Ashburn; and a 44-year-old man in the 1300 block of West 87th Street in Auburn Gresham, officials said.

May 19 was the last time four people were killed in homicides in one day in Chicago, according to RedEye data.

Citywide, fatal shootings also were

recorded in Roseland and West Englewood in the past week, RedEye determined. Meanwhile, a 37-year-old man was stabbed to death Wednesday in the 7300 block of South Yale Avenue in Greater Grand Crossing, police said.

May ended Tuesday with 38 homicides, down from 48 homicides in May 2010, according to RedEye data.

One homicide has been recorded so far in June. Police logged 54 homicides in June 2010, RedEye found.

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Homicides from May 25 to 4 p.m. Wednesday; all locations had one victim.

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Date: May 30 Cause: Gunshot | 9 1300 BLOCK OF W. 87TH ST.
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Date: May 30 Cause: Gunshot | 10 5500 BLOCK OF S. PRINCETON AVE.
Date: May 31 Cause: Gunshot |
| 5 5700 BLOCK OF S. LAKE SHORE DR.
Date: May 30 Cause: Gunshot | 11 7300 BLOCK OF S. YALE AVE.
Date: June 1 Cause: Stabbing |
| 6 900 BLOCK OF W. GARFIELD BLVD.
Date: May 30 Cause: Gunshot | |

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Twisters touch down

1 At least two confirmed tornadoes descended upon towns in western Massachusetts on Wednesday, leaving at least four dead and smashing buildings across a 40-mile stretch. **CNN**



Tablets for two

2 Vendors in costume show off their tablet computers Wednesday at Computex Taipei in Taiwan, Asia's biggest information technology and communications trade fair. **GETTY IMAGES**



Welcome home

3 The space shuttle Endeavour is escorted to a storage building Wednesday in Cape Canaveral, Fla., after returning safely from its final mission. **GETTY IMAGES**

FAA: Laser pointers dangerous to pilots

4 **WASHINGTON** Delta Air Lines pilot Capt. Chad Smith was flying at 6,000 feet approaching Will Rogers World Airport in Oklahoma City in March when he saw a flash out of the corner of his eye. It looked like lightning, he said, except for its color—green.

"I think we just got hit by a laser," his first officer told him.

The green light again illuminated the plane's cockpit, confirming the crew's suspicions, and making Smith "Exhibit A" in a Federal Aviation Administration effort to highlight the potential dangers of people who intentionally target aircraft with laser beams.

At a news conference Wednesday, FAA Administrator Randy Babbitt tried to educate the public about the danger of pointing lasers at aircraft and announced the agency would seek civil penalties of up to \$11,000 for people caught targeting planes with lasers.

"People think these are toys. They are not toys," said Babbitt, a former airline pilot. "They are very dangerous and they pose a great danger. They can be medically harmful to pilots."

GROWING PROBLEM

The number of pilots reporting being targeted by lasers has grown steadily since the FAA began keeping records in 2005, and nearly doubled last year to 2,836, up from 1,527 the previous year, the FAA said.

Officials say the increase in reports of laser incidents likely is attributable to the increased availability of cheap and powerful laser pointers; to the introduction of green lasers, which are more easily seen; and to increased reporting of laser events by pilots.

Because there have been relatively few prosecutions for pointing lasers, officials say they do not have a profile of a typical laser attacker. But they said laser attacks probably are done for amusement, perhaps by people who are unaware of the potential danger.

"What really struck me about the laser was the intensity of it," Smith told reporters. "It's very striking how intense and how keen the beam is. More importantly were the 142 passengers that we carried behind us, completely oblivious to what was going on up front."

Rights activist alleges killings

5 Syrian forces killed 41 civilians in an effort to crush pro-democracy protests in Damascus, a human rights lawyer said Wednesday, as opposition leaders met in Turkey to plot the downfall of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad. Syrian forces also killed nine civilians in the town of Hrak, rights campaigner Ammar Qurabi said.

Rep. lawyers up over Twitter pic

6 A congressman who came under fire for a lewd photo that briefly appeared on his Twitter account over the weekend said Wednesday that he had hired a law firm to look into the matter. But he declined to directly answer whether he appeared in the photo. "We're going to try to get to the bottom of what happened," Rep. Anthony Weiner (D-N.Y.) said.

Alaska releasing Palin records

7 The Alaska governor's office is set to release more than 24,000 pages of records relating to Sarah Palin's term as governor. Requests from media organizations for the documents stem as far back as the 2008 campaign. The notification said some of the documents will be redacted and others will be withheld due to several legal privileges.

Joplin accounts for all missing

8 The list of people missing in tornado-ravaged Joplin, Mo., reached zero Wednesday as authorities said they have located all unaccounted-for individuals or have confirmed their deaths, the Missouri Department of Public Safety said. The overall death toll in the tornado was 134 as of Wednesday afternoon, according to state officials.



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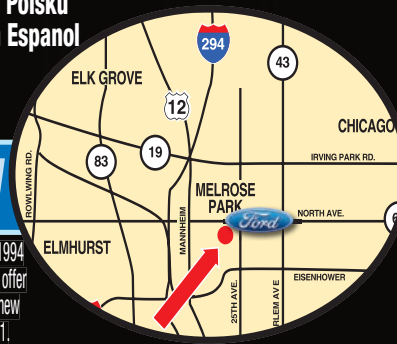
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THE LIFE OF SHAQ

Shaquille O'Neal was known for more than his abilities on the basketball court. He became a pop-culture juggernaut of his own making, starring in movies, recording rap albums and guesting on countless TV talk shows.

Here are some of RedEye's favorite Shaquille memories.

All those nicknames

O'Neal couldn't be bothered to be known by the sensible nickname Shaq. He had to have more. And he did: Shaq-Fu, Shaq Diesel, The Big Aristotle, Shaqtus, The Big Shamroq.

The hilariously bad movies



He was smart to play a basketball player in "Blue Chips," but then came Shaq as a genie in

"Kazaam" and as some sort of do-it-yourself superhero in "Steel."

Breaking backboards

In 1993, Shaq's first season in the NBA, fans were introduced to his monstrous dunks, two of which brought down the entire backboard and supports.

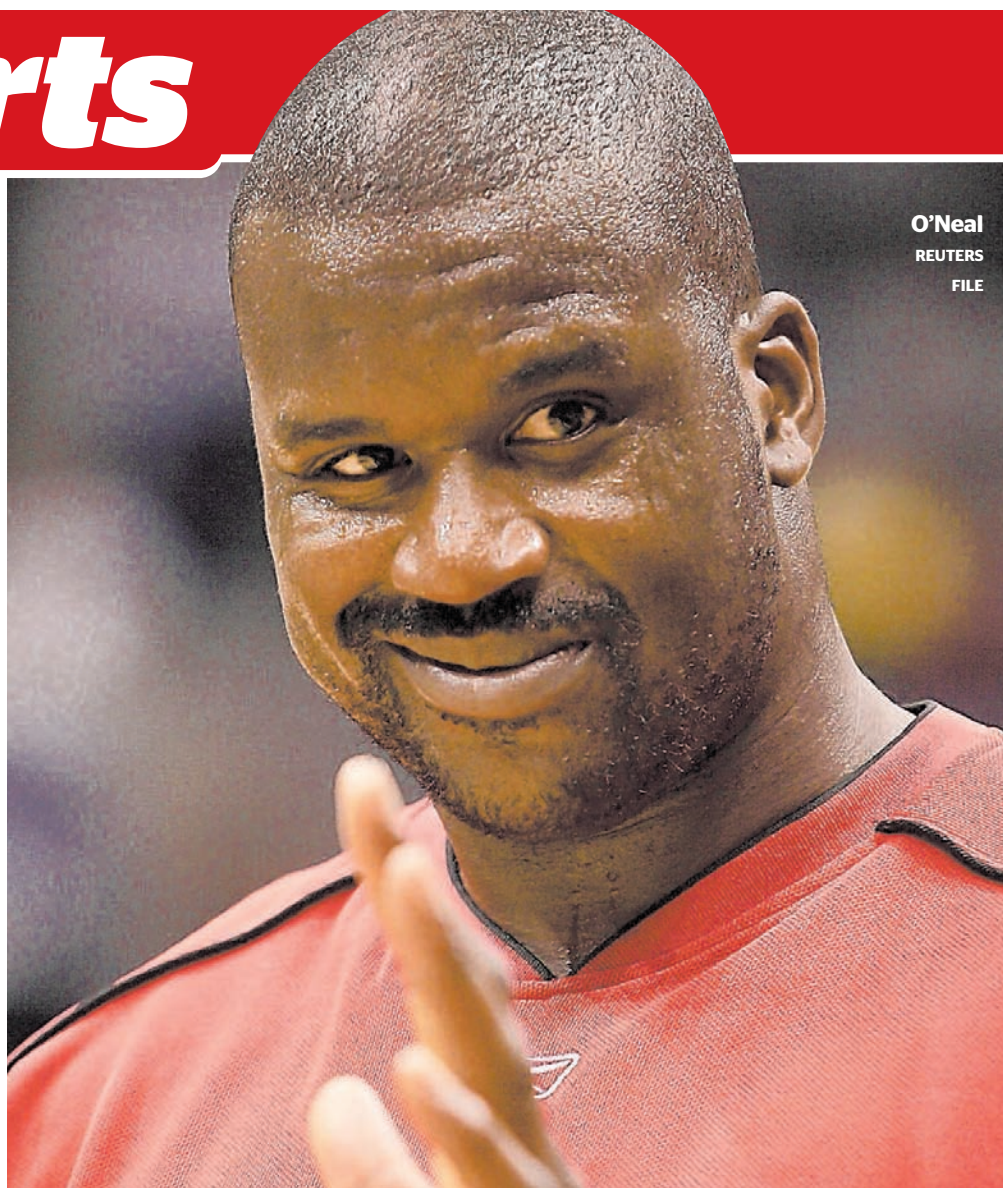


His rap 'career'
Shaq actually scored a platinum record with

"Shaq Diesel" in 1993, believe it or not. He followed that up with three more rap albums, including appearances by The Notorious B.I.G., Jay-Z and Rakim, among others.

'Shaq Vs.'

In this TV series, Shaq would take on other superstars in their own sports. He faced off against Ben Roethlisberger in football, Albert Pujols in baseball, Michael Phelps in swimming—you get the idea.



O'Neal
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SHAQ RETIRES

Reuters

Shaquille O'Neal, the dominant center who played on four NBA championship teams, announced his retirement Wednesday after a career of nearly two decades.

One of the most accomplished players in the game, 39-year-old O'Neal made his announcement via a Twitter video.

"We did it. Nineteen years baby. I want to thank you very much, that's why I'm telling you first, I'm about to retire. Thank you, talk to you soon," he said in the vid.

The physically imposing O'Neal, 7-foot-1 and 325 pounds, was a force under the basket, 10 times leading the NBA in field goal percentage thanks to his overpowering low-post game and thunderous dunks.

He averaged 23.7 points and 10.9 rebounds a game over his long career, was named to 15 All-Star teams and was a member of the U.S. team that won the gold medal at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.

He scored 28,596 points in the NBA, the fifth highest total ever, and was 12th overall in rebounds and seventh in blocked shots.

Fouling up our 'fabulous' town

You know, I saw an amazing headline the other day, and it was on the front page of this publication.

"Welcome to Fabulous Chicago."

Welcome indeed—not sure about the fabulous part.

First off: Thanks for the spring. Gosh, that was great. You literally took the month of May from me, Chicago. Now you owe me.

Let's get you caught up on what's going on in our "fabulous" town.

The capital of baseball. The Cubs. Oh, got to love the Cubbies. They have: No ability to steal bases. They also have: The striking inability to take walks.

That last one isn't really striking; they've never really had the ability to take pitches. That's OK. Just go up there and hack away, fellas. Something good is bound to happen one of these millennia.

Rounding out the crap list: Their defense is terrible, and their pitching is off-the-charts bad—in fact they have to come up with new charts. Special ones with numbers you and I haven't seen yet.

Shocking news: Alfonso Soriano to the 15-day DL. That's what happens when you turn 40.

Good news, though: They are very good at giving walks—leading the league. Hey, here's an idea: Let's get a high-priced manager to fix all this. Sorry, tried that.

You know, I don't talk too much about the Cubs these days. They're like a stinky diaper—I keep ignoring it, hoping it will go away.

Sorry about that last line—it explains why I'm not a parent. The Cubs' ineptitude has created pointed indifference on my part, the kind the Blackhawks used to create. I'm afraid the only cure for this is to, of course, win it all, but we know that won't happen.

To the South Side, where the news is no better. Juan Pierre, your time has come. Not to start hitting, but I was thinking maybe to start finding that second career.

I see Adam Dunn is trying not to get down on himself. Adam, relax. Let me handle that part. I'm down on you completely. Now go strike out again.

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1 Why hasn't Mark Cuban been talking to the media during the NBA playoffs?	He's too busy celebrating his failed bid for the Cubs.	The universe only allows him 250 billion words per year, and he used them up in February.	Dunno. It's not like he could do any worse than Scottie "Chi-Town Clown" Pippen.	Silence is golden (like the Larry O'Brien Trophy).	He has been saving his "talents" for South Beach.
2 After Game 1, how are you feeling about the NBA Finals?	I feel like Dirk Nowitzki and Derrick Rose are going to have tons of notes to compare.	I woke up feeling sick, and that can't be a coincidence.	Oh, just grand. Though I do hope Dirk goes "Diggler" on Bron's title hopes.	The Bulls should've been there ...	Feeling like all of the talent is on the beaches and not on the court.
3 How are the Stanley Cup finals different without the Blackhawks?	Prozac sales in Canada have declined sharply.	I'll never know, since I won't be watching without them.	Kiss female fans goodbye. A cracked-out Gary Busey has more sex appeal than the Sedin twins.	Chicago's got to get creative in planning a reason for a blowout summer parade.	No Sarah Kustok covering the action? That's an automatic pass for me.
4 A day of no baseball in Chicago is like a day in the desert without water, even with all the losses.	... a sure-fire ticket to both teams fixing all that's wrong. Coaches' advice: "Do everything differently."	... a day with baseball in Chicago. We booze, BBQ and ignore those d-bags.	... a spring day in Chicago: a rarity.	We can't lose! With the way the baseball season is going, you can't beat that. We may gain ground in our divisions.
5 What's your nickname for Winnipeg's NHL team?	Can you really go wrong with the Wombats? Didn't think so.	The Winnipeg Wait-There's-A-New-Winnipeg-Hockey-Teams?	If it's anything other than the "Jets," then Canadians are even more ignorant than I thought.	The Winnipeg Please Don't Take Away Your Hometown Boy Toews from Chicago(s).	They have to go back to the Jets, although Cubs might fit too because they won't win anything anytime soon.

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» Bears defensive end Israel Idonije says he is confident a collective bargaining agreement will be reached this summer or early fall. Asked about his level of concern that an agreement has not yet been achieved, Idonije replied: "Zero. It's business."

» John McDonough continues to reap the rewards for helping turn the Blackhawks' franchise around. The team announced Wednesday the addition of CEO to McDonough's title of team president.

» Dallas forward Dirk Nowitzki has no concerns with shooting the basketball because of his injured left hand. The injury is on his non-shooting hand, but the worry is if he can catch passes while wearing a splint to protect the torn tendon in his middle finger he sustained Tuesday.

FINAL SCORE

» Rafael Nadal, Maria Sharapova reach the quarterfinals of the French Open.

» The Sky acquire Naperville native Lindsay Wisdom-Hylton from the L.A. Sparks on Wednesday.

» **Stanley Cup finals:** Vancouver 1, Boston 0. Canucks lead series 1-0

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Ramirez
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Cubbie occurrences

Another week, another injury to a key North Sider

Aramis Ramirez joined the parade of injured Cubs players Wednesday after being hit in the face while diving for a ground ball in a 3-1 loss to the Astros.

Ramirez probably will avoid the disabled list, though he received stitches for a cut inside his mouth and on his upper lip.

Ramirez's bad luck is just the latest to befall the Cubs. Consider:

Feb. 1: Before the season even began, the Blizzard of 2011 blew off part of Wrigley Field's roof. We should have taken it as a sign.

April 6: Pitchers Andrew Cashner and Randy Wells are placed on the DL. Yes, two pitchers on the same day. Two starters, even.

May 10: Geovany Soto injures his groin and goes on the ... wait for it ... DL a day later.

May 21: Marlon Byrd suffers

multiple fractures after getting hit in the face with a fastball. He's on the 15-day DL.

May 24: Another starting pitcher, Matt Garza, goes to the DL with a bone bruise. Yes, bones can be bruised.

Sunday: Back spasms force Reed Johnson to the DL.

Monday: Alfonso Soriano pulls up lame with a left quad strain while running to first base and is placed on the 15-day DL.

WHITE SOX 7, BOSTON 4

At this rate, the White Sox might not have to wait for Adam Dunn and Alex Rios to turn around their awful seasons.

Thanks to their third consecutive game with hits in double digits, the Sox rallied Wednesday from a three-run deficit to beat the Red Sox 7-4 and complete their second three-game sweep at Fenway Park in two years.

"Hopefully [the players] look at it and say we play against one of the best teams in the American League and if we play the way we can play, we can play that way against anybody," manager Ozzie Guillen said after Paul Konerko drove in the final three runs, Alexei Ramirez collected three hits and Brent Lillibridge hit a home run and a double.

"Hopefully they know that, and it creates some confidence and they believe we can do this."

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CBS. I want an apology from "60 Minutes," too, because of the 38 years of whining we've endured at the hands of Andy Rooney.

ISIAH CAN YOU SEE?

First Scottie Pippen, now Isiah Thomas. The former Pistons guard thinks LeBron James could become a better player than Michael Jordan someday. This is where I remind you in 2004 he traded four players, the rights to a fifth and two first-round draft picks for Stephon Marbury, Penny Hardaway and Cezary Trybanski. Yes, THE Cezary Trybanski.

CUB-BOOM

Cubs TV announcer Len Kasper says he's not "throwing dirt on this team just yet." That's good, Len, because they don't deserve a proper burial. They should be cremated.

ONE-FINGER SALUTE

Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki doesn't think his injured left middle finger will hinder him too much in the NBA Finals, but I'm more concerned about how he's going to properly express his feelings about LeBron James.

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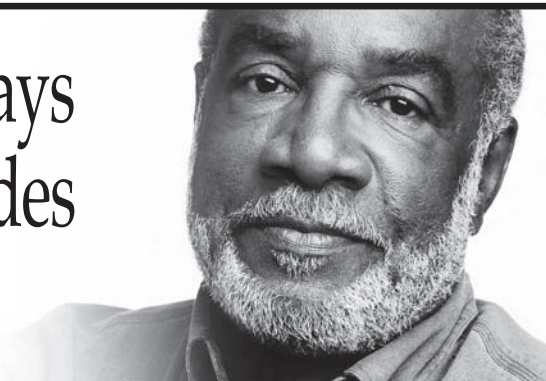
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dining

SUPER FRESH

Some of best seasonal cooking in the city is at revamped, renamed Perennial Virant

By Lisa Arnett

While every other newbie restaurant seems to be talking the “local, seasonal” talk, Paul Virant has been walking the walk at Vie in west suburban Western Springs since 2004. And city foodies haven’t been taking the Metra for nothing—he does it really, really well.

So well, actually, that it’s a wonder no one has persuaded him to open a restaurant in Chicago proper until now. The Boka Restaurant Group (Boka, Landmark, Girl & the Goat, GT Fish & Oyster) did just that after its chef at Lincoln Park restaurant Perennial, Ryan Poli, announced he was leaving for Tavernita, opening later this summer in River

North. And so Perennial plus Virant equals the new Perennial Virant, which opened May 18 after a top-to-bottom rehab.

I arrived at Perennial Virant, more casual than the special-occasion worthy Vie, via a quick bus ride from downtown. From the start it’s clear that Virant continues to be local to the core; even the whole-grain bread served at the meal’s start is made with grains from Heritage Farms in Elburn and barley malt from Goose Island here in town. Though the right side of the menu tempts with a slew of shareable plates, I stuck to the left side to see what the \$37 three-course meal (called the PV3) would buy.

1. EVERY DISH MANAGES TO ...

... balance flavors perfectly. Virant intends to change the three-course options often based on limited quantities of seasonal produce and meats he can get his hands on. During my dinner, chicken fricassee (\$25 or part of the \$37 three-course meal) is light but still hearty, with bites of meaty oyster mushrooms, green garlic and shaved bits of turnip. Virant’s well-publicized penchant for pickling shows not just in the dozens of jars lined up on the wall, but in vinegary veggies that provide that punch of acidity to counter rich, smoky flavors, such as the sweet onion relish coating potato chunks alongside rich Great Lakes whitefish (\$21 or as part of the three-course meal).

2. I CAN’T STOP THINKING ABOUT ...

... the pork shoulder confit (\$12 alone or part of the \$37 meal) with a giardiniera of white turnips, fennel, carrots and radishes. It’s a crab cake-like disc of juicy, tender pork shreds, seared to a satisfying crisp. Also dominating my dinner daydreams is the butter pound cake dessert (\$8 alone or part of the \$37 meal). Virant borrowed Boka pastry chef Kady Yon to collaborate on the sweets, and I gobbled up every bite of this Twinkie-hued bar of buttery cake with buttered hickory nuts and toasted milk ice cream (which, in case you’ve never toasted your milk, tastes kind of malty).



Butter pound cake with toasted milk ice cream, vanilla toffee and buttered hickory nuts

FIRST LOOK

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THE TICKER

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» **Abiquiu Cafe** (1034 W. Belmont Ave.) adds booze and expands its New Mexican menu to include other American dishes from Kansas City, the low country and the Southwest on June 18.

» “Quad City-style” pizza has arrived in Ukrainian Village. That’s hand-tossed pizza cut into strips with scissors, according to **Roots Handmade Pizza** (1924 W. Chicago Ave.).

» **The Purple Cow Ice Cream Cafe** is dishing out 22 flavors of ice cream along with snacks, candy, coffee and smoothies at 838 W. Montrose Ave. in Uptown.



Paul Virant
LENNY GILMORE/REDEYE PHOTOS

Know before you go

Food: \$37 three-course dinner or shareable plates running \$7-\$27

Drinks: Signature cocktails cost \$12, wines by the glass run \$8-\$20, American craft beers \$5-\$21

Reservations: Recommended

Crowd: Reflective of the Lincoln Park-meets-Old Town location, from 20-some-things to gray hairs

Service: Casual and smiley, by servers in tees, jeans and sneakers

Must order: Pork confit with spring vegetable giardiniera
Skip: The prix-fixe meal's \$9 cheese course supplement. For its small size, I'd put that cash toward another drink.

3. YOU'LL BE GLAD THAT ...

... the oh-so-pretty, pergola-outfitted patio is still intact, though for now there's some unfortunate scaffolding intruding on the picturesque park view.

4. EVEN IF YOU DON'T DRINK WINE ...

... take a look at the bottle list for categories that are helpful and fun, from "Liquid Dessert" to "Rhone Rangers" and "From Our Friends in Michigan." Never-too-sweet cocktails follow the rightfully popular practice of tweaking tried-and-true classics, from Remember the Maine Forest (\$12, like a Manhattan but with tea-infused rye) and the Late Spring Daiquiri (\$12) with rum, honey and allspice.

5. I'LL RETURN TO ...

... dip into the shared-plates sides of the menu. These dishes also will change spontaneously, but Virant hopes a few will become signatures even as the preparations change, such as the **Yukon Gold potato gnocchi with spring veggie ragout** (\$17) or crispy carnaroli rice, a take on arancini with cheese curds (\$11).



6. JUST WAIT UNTIL ...

... brunch launches in time for Father's Day (if this sounds like your dad's style, make your reservations soon). It'll likely take on a Southern-inspired "meat and three" format, with your choices of breakfast meats plus sides of eggs, veggies or breads.

7. MY ONLY COMPLAINT ...

... is that I just can't get on board with the name. It's clunky. And awkward. I have yet to talk with anyone (correction: anyone not affiliated with the restaurant) who is genuinely crazy about it. The staff has taken to calling it PV for short, which sounds like something you should be treating with antibiotics.

BOTTOM LINE:

In theory, Virant and the Boka crew have created a restaurant that will make you want to come back because the menu will change often. In practice, you'll return because every bite delivers in the deliciousness department.

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» Lakeview's **Firkin and Pheasant** (670 W. Diversey Parkway) is now **Michael Diversey's**. Though the pub's name has changed, its popular trivia nights are intact.



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Ken Marks
31, stylist

What are you drinking?
Jameson and vodka, because that's what I drink to get myself kinda messy.

Tonight's an anniversary party. Are there any other anniversaries that you look forward to each year?
Gay pride. I just like celebrating my life and what I like to do.

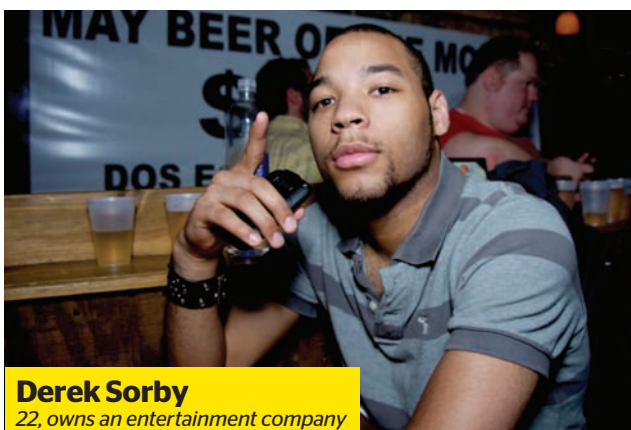
What the one "must-have" fashion accessory for a guy this summer?
A bow tie.

Jamie Kiefaber
25, kindergarten teacher



What are you drinking?
I'm drinking vodka and water. I would drink beer, but I am allergic to gluten.

Can you tell which of your kids are gonna grow up to be partiers?
100 percent yes. And they're 5. You know exactly who's gonna be in the club, dancing and shaking their booty, drinking and doing shots.



Derek Sorby
22, owns an entertainment company

What brings you out tonight?
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What are you drinking?
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Describe your sound in five words or less.
Misfit with soul.

Tell us something random about the band, and why that's significant.

I have a music video that came out May 7! It's called "Katy's Side" and it's about being really jealous of another girl. We had a blast shooting it at the Blackstone Hotel downtown, and I'm really excited for everyone to see it!



Jess Godwin
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Whom would you want to work with, and with whom would you never work? Why?

Stevie Wonder, hands down. To be honest, I would probably clam up and my hands would get all sweaty and I would end up staring at him with my mouth open the whole time. But it would be awesome. I wouldn't ever want to work with someone who didn't get me. I've done it in the past and it was a waste of time! You can't make everyone like you, so it's more important to surround yourself with the people who do. Cultivate those relationships instead!

If the band were a cartoon character, whom would it be and why?

Pippi Longstocking. I wear pigtails, I'm

unexpectedly strong for my size and people talk about my legs sometimes. That sounds really weird coming from me, but they do!

What's the best album you've heard recently?

Adele: "21." Sigh.

What song do you never want to hear again?

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- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) 1:15,3:30,5:50,8:10,10:25
- **Priest** (PG-13) 9:20 P.M.
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 1:50,2:50,4:25,5:25,7:00,8:00,9:35,10:30,12:05
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) 1:20,4:20,7:20,10:20
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) ♦ 2:00,4:50,7:40
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) 12:01 A.M.
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) ♦ 12:01 A.M.
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 1:35,4:05,6:50
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) 3:15,6:20

**LANDMARK CENTURY
CENTRE CINEMA (LANDMARK)**

2828 North Clark St., Chicago
(773) 509-4949

- **Everything Must Go** (R) 1:45,4:40,7:30,10:00
- **The Double Hour** (NR) 1:40,4:05,7:00,9:20
- **Midnight in Paris** (PG-13) 1:30,2:00,2:30,4:00,4:30,5:00,6:30,7:00,7:30,9:00,9:30,10:00
- **Win Win** (R) 1:30,4:15,7:10,9:45
- **Hesher** (R) 9:15
- **Incendies** (R) 2:45,6:15

CITY NORTH 14 (REGAL)

2600 N. Western Ave.,
(800) 326-3264 #1642

- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 9:45
- **Thor** (PG-13) 12:30,6:30
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 3:20,9:30
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 12:50,7:00
- **Priest** (PG-13) 11:10
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 1:20,2:15,4:20,5:25,7:10,8:15,10:15,11:15
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) 12:00,1:10,3:10,6:20,7:20
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) 12:40,1:40,3:45,4:45,6:50,7:50,10:10,11:05
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 12:15,2:00,3:00,4:00,5:00,5:45,8:00,8:30,10:00,11:00
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 1:30,4:30,7:30,10:30
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) 1:50,2:30,5:15,7:45,10:20
- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) 1:00,3:30,6:00,8:45
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) 4:10,10:45
- **Super 8** (NR) Advance Tickets Available
- **Green Lantern** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) 12:01 A.M.

DAVIS THEATRE (VALUE)

4614 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago
(773) 784-0893

- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) ★ 12:00 Midnight
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) ★ 5:30,7:45,10:00
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) ★ 5:00,7:00,9:00
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) ★ 4:10,7:00,9:50
- **Thor** (PG-13) 5:15,7:40,10:10

FORD CITY 14 (AMC)

S. Cicero at 76th., Chicago
(888) AMC-4FUN
Show times change daily

- **Bridesmaids** (R) 10:25,1:35,4:30,7:35,10:35
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 11:20,5:00,10:40
- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) ♦ 10:20,12:40,3:00,5:30,7:40,10:00
- **Priest** (PG-13) 10:35,12:45,3:25,6:55,9:15
- **Thor** (PG-13) 2:20,7:50
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) ♦ 11:25,1:00,1:50,3:30,4:25,5:50,6:40,8:20,9:05,10:50
- **Rio** (G) 1:45,4:15
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) ♦ 10:50,12:05,1:40,2:45,4:10,5:25,7:00,8:05,9:40,10:45
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) 10:15,12:55,1:25,4:00,4:40,7:05,7:45,10:20
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 10:30,1:30,4:30,7:30,10:30
- **Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family** (PG-13) 11:15,1:55,4:45,7:25,9:55
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) ♦ 10:40,2:00,5:20,8:30
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 10:55,6:45,9:35

GENE SISKEL FILM CENTER

164 State Street
(312) 846-2800

- **The Shadow of the Fern** (NR) 6:00 P.M.
- **Phil Ochs: There But for Fortune** (NR) 6:00 P.M.
- **The Soft Skin** (NR) 8:00 P.M.
- **Some Girls Never Learn** (NR) 8:00 P.M.

LOGAN THEATRE

2646 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago
(773) 252-0628

- **Hesher** (R) 1:40,3:40,5:40,7:40,9:40
- **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules** (PG) 1:00,3:00,5:00
- **Scream 4** (R) 7:10,9:50
- **Hanna** (PG-13) 1:20,3:35,5:40,7:50,10:00
- **Source Code** (PG-13) 1:30,3:30,5:30,7:30,9:30

MUSIC BOX

3733 N. Southport, Chicago
(773) 871-6604

- **13 Assassins** (R) 4:30,7:00,9:30
- **Bill Cunningham New York** (NR) 8:00 P.M.
- **Meek's Cutoff** (PG) 5:45,9:55

RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)

322 E. Illinois Street, Chicago
(888) AMC-4FUN
Show times change daily

- **Source Code** (PG-13) 11:40,4:45,9:45
- **AMC Independent Everything Must Go** (R) 11:05,4:35,9:40
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 10:20,1:30,4:30,7:30,10:30
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 11:20,2:30,5:30,8:30
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) ♦ 12:20,3:15
- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) 11:35,2:05,4:40,7:00,9:35,11:50
- **AMC Independent Midnight in Paris** (PG-13) ♦ 11:15,1:40,4:10,6:40,9:05,11:30
- **AMC Independent Midnight in Paris** (PG-13) 10:15,12:40,3:10,5:40,8:05,10:40
- **AMC Independent Cave of Forgotten Dreams 3D** (G) 10:35,12:50,3:20,5:50,8:10,10:20
- **Priest** (PG-13) ♦ 6:15,8:50,11:10
- **Thor** (PG-13) 10:10,1:15,4:15,7:05,9:50
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) 10:30,1:05,3:30,6:05,8:35,11:05
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 11:00,11:45,1:45,2:30,4:30,5:15,7:15,8:00,10:00,10:45
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) ♦ 10:15,12:15,1:00,3:00,3:45,5:45,8:30,11:55
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) ♦ 10:45,2:00,5:10,8:15
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) ♦ 12:15,3:30,7:00,10:15
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) ♦ 10:40,1:45,4:40
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) ♦ 12:01 A.M.
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 2:10,7:10
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) 10:00,11:30,1:10,2:45,4:25,6:00,7:50,9:10,11:00
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 10:25,1:20,4:35,7:20,10:10
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) 1:35,6:55

SHOWPLACE VILLAGE CROSSING (AMC)

7000 Carpenter Rd., Chicago
(800) 326-3264 #2309

- **Bridesmaids** (R) 11:50,3:00,6:10,9:30
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 10:10,1:20,4:30,7:40,10:50
- **Rio 3D** (G) 11:05,11:40
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 7:20 P.M.
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 9:50,12:50,3:50,6:50
- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) 11:45,2:20,4:55,7:30
- **Thor** (PG-13) 2:40,5:35,8:40
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) 10:00,12:35,3:10,5:45,8:20
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) 10:50,1:30,4:05,6:40,9:20
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 11:30,2:15,2:55,5:05,5:40,7:50,8:30,10:35,11:00
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 10:15,10:55,1:00,1:40,3:45,4:25,6:30,7:10,9:15,9:55
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) 10:35,12:15,2:00,3:40,5:25,7:05,8:50,10:30
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 10:25,1:35,8:10
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) 12:00 A.M.
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 12:10 P.M.
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) 11:25,2:50,6:15,9:40
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 4:50 P.M.
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides-IMAX 3D** (PG-13) 9:45,1:10,4:35,8:00
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) 11:40 A.M.

WEBSTER PLACE 11 (REGAL)

1471 W. Webster Ave., Chicago
(800) 326-3264 #1641

- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 1:15,4:15,7:15
- **Thor** (PG-13) 6:50
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 3:40,9:40
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 1:10,7:20
- **Priest** (PG-13) 10:15
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 1:20,4:20,7:10,10:10
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) 2:50,5:50,8:50
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) 3:20,6:20,9:20
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 1:00,2:00,3:30,4:00,4:30,6:00,7:00,8:30,9:30,10:00
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 12:30,3:00,5:30,8:00,10:30
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) 1:50,4:10,6:30,8:40
- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) 12:40,3:10,5:20,7:40,9:50
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **Green Lantern** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) 12:01 A.M.

SHOWPLACE GALEWOOD 14 (AMC)

E. Side of Central Ave., just S. of Grand Ave., Chicago
(800) 326-3264 #1646

- **Bridesmaids** (R) 2:20,5:10,8:00,10:50
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 4:35,9:55
- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) 11:30,1:00,3:15,4:00,5:30,7:45,8:30,10:00
- **Go for It!** (PG-13) 1:10 P.M.
- **Priest** (PG-13) 3:25,5:45,8:15,10:30
- **Thor** (PG-13) 1:50,7:15
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) 12:15,2:30,4:45,7:00,9:15
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) 1:45,6:15,10:45
- **Rio** (G) 1:55,4:20
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 11:50,2:15,5:00,7:30,10:05
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 1:30,3:55,6:30,9:00
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) 12:55,1:40,4:05,4:40,7:05,7:50,10:10,10:55
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 1:20,4:15,7:20,10:25
- **Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family** (PG-13) 6:45,9:25
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) 12:01 A.M.
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) 2:25,5:25,8:35
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 2:10,4:55,7:35,10:20

SHOWPLACE CICERO 14 (AMC)

4779 W. Cermak, Cicero
(800) 326-3264 #1644

- **The Hangover Part II** (R) 11:00,1:45,4:30,7:15,10:00

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Clark & Roosevelt, South Loop, Chicago
(312) 564-2104

- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) ★ 1:50,3:00,5:10,6:20,8:15,9:40
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) ★ 12:20,2:50,5:20
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 12:50,3:50,6:40,9:20
- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) ★ 1:00,1:45,2:20,3:40,4:15,4:50,6:50,7:20,9:15,9:50
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 11:00 P.M.
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) ★ 12:40,1:30,2:00,2:30,3:30,4:00,4:30,5:00,6:05,6:30,7:00,7:15,7:30,8:00,8:30,9:00,9:30,9:45,10:00,10:30
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) ★ 1:15,4:20,7:40,10:50
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 2:10,5:15,8:10,11:10
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 12:20,1:10,3:10,4:10,6:00,7:10,8:50,10:15
- **Green Lantern** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 12:00 P.M.
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 1:40,4:40,7:50,10:40

VIP Premium 21+

- **The Hangover Part II** (R) ★ **VIP Premium 21+** 2:00,4:30,7:00,9:30
- **Bridesmaids** (R) **VIP Premium 21+** 12:20,3:10,6:00,8:50
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) ★ **VIP Premium 21+** 12:01 A.M.

**OAK PARK
LAKE CINEMAS (CLASSIC)**

1022 Lake Street, Oak Park
(630) 444-FILM #560

- **Bridesmaids** (R) 1:40,4:20,7:00,9:40
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 12:00,2:30,5:00,7:30,10:00
- **Kung Fu Panda 2 3D** (PG) ★ 1:05,3:10,5:15,7:20,9:25
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) ★ 12:00,2:05,4:10,6:15,8:20
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) ★ 12:30,2:00,2:50,4:20,5:10,6:40,7:30,9:00,9:50
- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) ★ 12:00
- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D** (PG-13) ★ 1:00,4:00,7:00,10:00

**EVANSTON
CENTURY 12/CINEARTS 6 (CENTURY)**

1715 Maple Ave., Evanston
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- **X-Men: First Class** (PG-13) ♦ 12:01 Midnight

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For all its glorious sunshine, summertime takes readers to a lot of dark places. This season's new books go both to the bright beach and into shadowy woods. Here is a selection of upcoming titles (publication dates are subject to change). Information is taken from publishers and Internet sources.

FAVORITE SERIES	<div><p>Carte Blanche By Jeffrey Deaver (Simon and Schuster/June 14)</p><p>Deaver's own books do well, but now he's stepped in to contribute to a legacy spy series—that of James Bond.</p></div>	<div><p>Trespasser By Paul Doiron (Minotaur/June 21)</p><p>A Maine game warden is drawn into the case of a brutalized woman that seems to echo a previous killing. Is the wrong man in jail?</p></div>	<div><p>Smokin' Seventeen By Janet Evanovich (Bantam/June 21)</p><p>Stephanie Plum still hasn't solved her guy problems, but the mystery she must solve is why corpses are showing up in a construction lot.</p></div>
FANTASY, HORROR AND SCI FI	<div><p>A Dance With Dragons By George R.R. Martin (Bantam/July 12)</p><p>The Seven Kingdoms still aren't getting along in the 1,000-page fifth volume in the "Song of Fire and Ice" series. You can watch the first volume on HBO in the series "Game of Thrones."</p></div>	<div><p>Hit List By Laurell K. Hamilton (Berkley/Tuesday)</p><p>Can vampire hunter Anita Blake still be alive after 20 books? You bet, but hit men are headed for St. Louis.</p></div>	<div><p>Robopocalypse By Daniel H. Wilson (Doubleday/Tuesday)</p><p>In this "Frankenstein"-meets-"Jurassic Park" story, robots decide they want to be in charge. The novel has been optioned for film by Steven Spielberg.</p></div>
SISTERS AND GIRLFRIENDS	<div><p>Summer in the South By Cathy Holton (Ballantine/Out now)</p><p>A Chicago gal, taking a chance to escape and write a novel, travels to Tennessee to stay with two aristocratic, elderly sisters.</p></div>	<div><p>Then Came You By Jennifer Weiner (Atria/July 12)</p><p>A decade after her debut novel, the popular author offers a story of four women and a baby. An older woman, who has a step-daughter, can't get pregnant, so a college student donates an egg and a surrogate mother carries it.</p></div>	<div><p>Sisterhood Everlasting By Ann Brashares (Random House/June 14)</p><p>The sisters of the traveling pants are in their late 20s now, and Brashares gears the newest in the series for adult readers.</p></div>
LITERARY LEANINGS	<div><p>The Kid By Sapphire (Penguin/July 5)</p><p>If you felt for Precious, the sexually abused teen heroine of "Push," you'll find it tough to learn about her orphaned son Abdul Jones.</p></div>	<div><p>State of Wonder By Ann Patchett (Harper/Tuesday)</p><p>A scientist for a drug company journeys to the Amazon to find a rogue researcher whose experiments suggest she may have drunk something from Joseph Conrad's Kurtz in "Heart of Darkness."</p></div>	<div><p>The Adjustment By Scott Phillips (Counterpoint/Aug. 1)</p><p>In 1950s Kansas, not every resident feels the postwar boom. Phillips offers a noir novel of blackmail and murder.</p></div>
BIOS AND MEMOIRS	<div><p>A Stolen Life By Jaycee Dugard (Simon & Schuster/July 12)</p><p>Held captive for 18 years, Dugard tells the story of her kidnapping at age 11, bearing two children during captivity and her life with her abductors, Phillip and Nancy Garrido.</p></div>	<div><p>"There Are Things I Want You to Know" About Stieg Larsson and Me By Eva Gabrielsson (Seven Stories/June 21)</p><p>The longtime companion of the Swedish journalist gets personal about the author of "The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo."</p></div>	<div><p>The Man in the Rockefeller Suit By Mark Seal (Viking/Thursday)</p><p>A German youth comes to America and passes himself off as Clark Rockefeller, gaining entrance to country clubs and financial institutions, even fooling his Harvard-educated wife into thinking she really married up.</p></div>

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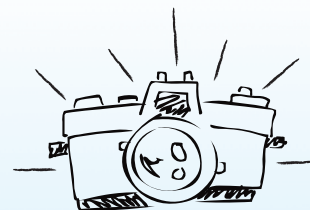
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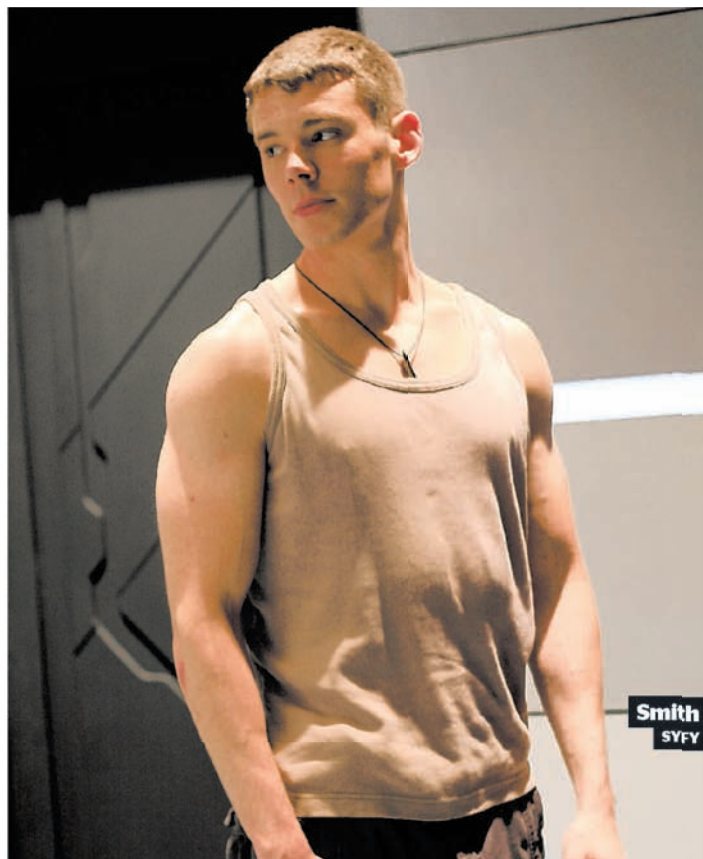


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SYFY

Not THAT bad

When Brian J. Smith's agent first approached him with the offer to star in the Syfy movie "Red Faction: Origins," the actor was less than thrilled.

"I immediately was like, 'No, no, no,'" Smith, who played Lt. Matthew Scott on "Stargate Universe," said, admitting he'd seen many of the Syfy Saturday B-movies. "They're fun for what they are, [but] they're kind of [bleep]astic. Do you know what I mean? Which is awesome."

"Red Faction," he said, will be a step above past Syfy movies of the week. ("Mega Python vs. Gatoroid" comes to mind.) "It's definitely quality and ... this is not going to be another MOW. It just isn't."

The movie is based on the popular "Red Faction" video games and is set between what happens in the "Red Faction: Guerrilla" and "Red Faction: Armageddon" games.

Smith plays Jake Mason, the last surviving son of Alec Mason (Robert Patrick), the man who led the Martian Colonies to freedom 25 years prior to when "Origins" begins. Kate Vernon, Danielle Nicolet, Gareth David-Lloyd, Tamzin Merchant and Devon Graye also star.

Smith loved the story, and the Jake character, he said, who is a lot different from his "SGU" character.

"It was great to play someone who is a bad-ass and knows it," he said. "It was nice to play someone who just could not give a [bleep] about what anybody thinks about him. He's a lot more reckless."

Smith also jumped at the chance to work with acting heroes Patrick and "Kate-freaking-Vernon," as he called the actress who played the now iconic Ellen Tighe in "Battlestar Galactica." Both veterans, he said, nail their performances.

"[Kate] brings a regalness and a stillness to her performance," he said of her character, The Matriarch, leader of the tribal Marauders sect in conflict with Jake's Red Faction Militia. "I just think it's really going to be fantastic."

» Read more from Smith and co-star Kate Vernon at showpatroltv.com. Also online: 55 big June TV premieres

'Red Faction'
8 p.m. Saturday, Syfy



'Love Bites'
9 p.m. Thursday, NBC

What do former "Heroes" star Greg Grunberg and ex-"Ugly Betty" actress Becki Newton (above) have in common? They're co-starring with an ever-changing lineup of guest stars in NBC's new comedy about love, sex and dating.

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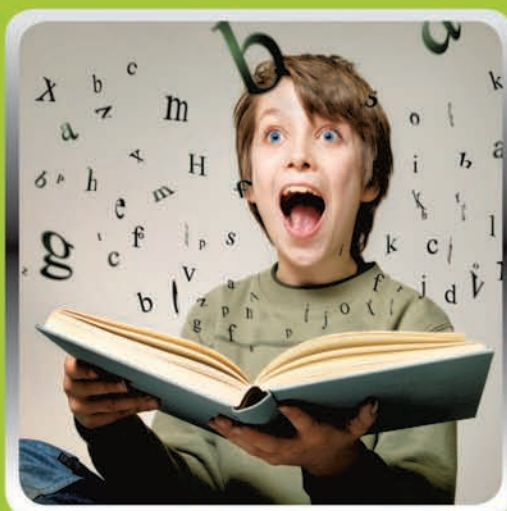
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'Childrens Hospital'**

11 p.m. Thursday, Adult Swim

Rob Corddry's irreverent (OK, rude) comedy spoofing medical dramas returns for another season of medicine, sex, gross-out humor, sex and more sex. "I've now made out with every member of the cast, which is hilarious," **Megan Mullally** told RedEye on Wednesday, "including one guy whose name I did not know until after we had shot the scene. ... Didn't know his name. It's pretty much porn." And this season, we see her character, sex-crazed Chief, as a 1970s candy-striper in flashback scenes. It's worth staying up to watch.

Read more from Mullally at showpatroltv.com

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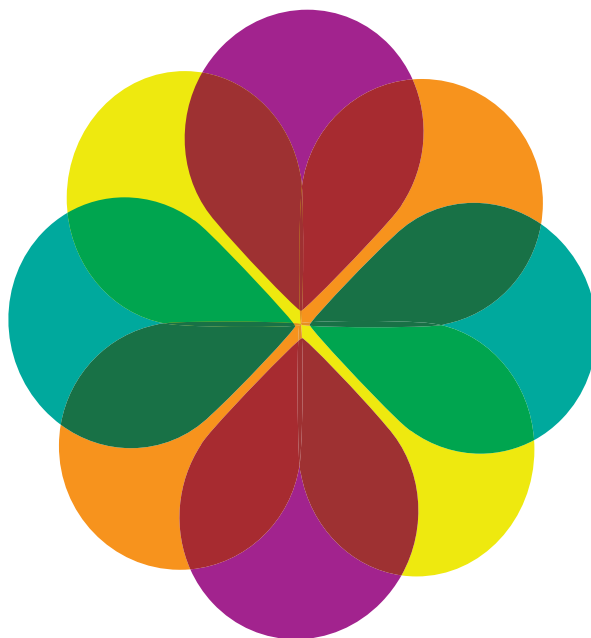
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A hopping beer buffet

By Josh Noel

FOR TRIBUNE NEWSPAPERS

As a frequent and fervent beer drinker, I've long been aware of what I consider the "armpit hop."

It's the one that makes some India pale ales taste brash, floral and delicious—but smells faintly of armpits. Thanks to Samuel Adams, I can finally put a bit more identity to that hop, which is the Simcoe varietal grown in Yakima Valley, Wash.

That's the genius of Samuel Adams' limited-edition Latitude 48 Deconstructed 12-pack: It strips an IPA—craft beer's most beloved style—to its bare essence.

The idea is this: Samuel Adams' Latitude 48 IPA includes five hops—Hallertau Mittelfrueh (grown in Germany); East Kent Goldings (England); and Ahtanum, Simcoe and Zeus (all Yakima Valley). For the 12-pack,

the brewery produced five limited-edition IPAs, each featuring only one of those hops. Two of each are in the mix pack, along with two of the regular Latitude 48s.

What you get is a delicious and educational 12-pack that most craft breweries are too small to execute and most large breweries are too uninterested to try.

The best use seemed to be comparing them all at once, so with two savvy, beer-loving colleagues, I poured all six into short glasses to smell, sip and discuss the differences, which were pronounced.

The Hallertau Mittelfrueh, for instance, had a robust nose (not as robust as the Simcoe) but was one of the least bitter in the box; it was relatively mild and dry for an IPA. The East Kent Goldings seemed one-dimensional. The Simcoe and Zeus beers were large, fruity and piney. The Ahtanum, with a

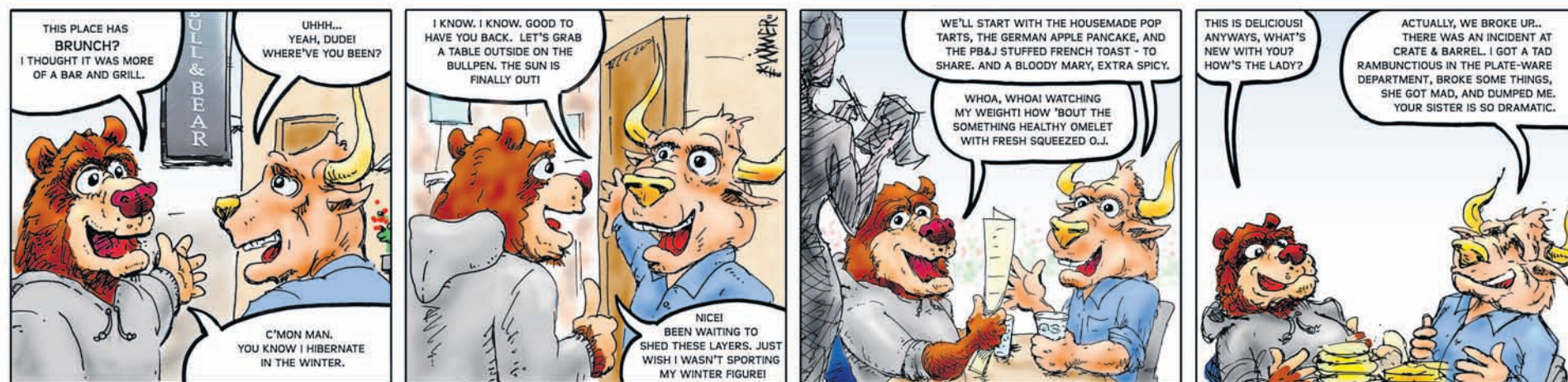


fairly mild nose, produced a bold, spicy and complex flavor that made it a unanimous first choice among us for the single-hopped beers.

While the Ahtanum also was my colleagues' favorite in the box, mine was the regular year-round version of Latitude 48. If drinking those five single-hopped beers taught me anything, it was that they do their best work together.

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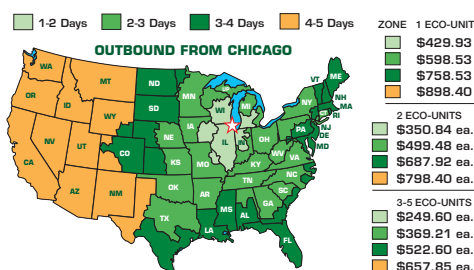
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- 6 Grand __; bridge coup
- 10 Boyfriend
- 14 By oneself
- 15 Stubborn as a __
- 16 Blue-pencil
- 17 Funeral song
- 18 Mountain goat
- 19 Shopper's paper
- 20 Rough guess
- 22 Frozen dripping
- 24 Near
- 25 Strew
- 26 Calm
- 29 In the air
- 30 Female sheep
- 31 Diminutive folklore fellow
- 33 Gladden
- 37 Skelton and Buttons
- 39 Pitfalls
- 41 Reverberate
- 42 Foam
- 44 Up and about
- 46 Light brown
- 47 Becomes oxidized
- 49 __ upon; forces to accept
- 51 Daydream
- 54 Tiny particle
- 55 Fly
- 56 Stamp showing a mailing date
- 60 Soothing ointment
- 61 Scorch
- 63 "Santa __"; traditional song from Naples
- 64 Doing nothing
- 65 Camp shelter
- 66 Vote into law
- 67 Precious
- 68 Seaweed
- 69 Cone-shaped home

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- 5 Appearing
- 6 Jaclyn or Kate
- 7 Oil and __; car maintenance
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- 9 Santa Fe, New __
- 10 Bad-mouth
- 11 Official decree
- 12 Theater walkway
- 13 Complete
- 21 Representative
- 23 Lunch spot
- 25 Slumbered
- 26 Servant of old
- 27 Jug
- 28 Change decor
- 29 Accumulate
- 32 Preach
- 34 Goes on stage
- 35 This and __
- 36 Long geological periods
- 38 Long, thin, wavy strip
- 40 Uses a strainer
- 43 Injure
- 45 Tiny underground part of a plant
- 48 Nap
- 50 Not susceptible
- 51 Overly avid
- 52 Sidestep
- 53 Country estate
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Girl talk

These starlets are so not happy right now

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

The smell of summer is in the air ... and so is the sound of celebs complaining. Whether it's frivolous fluff or serious smack-talk they're fighting, these Hollywood ladies have serious problems with the media, fans and, um, candy. (For real.) We considered their arguments using our most objective pop culture skills and the RedEye anger meter to judge which starlet's beef has real meat behind it.

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COURTNEY LOVE

"What am I, a junkie Auntie Mame?"

What set her off: Love claimed that Kelly Osbourne called her a crackhead on "Fashion Police" with Joan Rivers.



Love isn't exactly known for having a sunshiny, squeaky-clean public image.

AMBER ROSE

"[Bleep] that Cover [bleep] @VibeMagazine yall wrote a bunch of negative [bleep] that I never said or did."

What set her off: Vibe magazine's cover story about the model/ex-Kanye West girlfriend/current Wiz Khalifa girlfriend.



Rose seems to like causing a scene. Plus, who can be mad about being on a magazine's "Sexy Issue" cover?



NAOMI CAMPBELL

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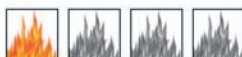


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LEANN RIMES

"This is my body and I can promise you I'm a healthy girl. I'm just lean. Thx for your concern but no need too [sic] be. Those are called abs not bones love."

What set her off: A fan tweeted "Whoa, you're scary skinny! Sorry don't mean to offend but that's a lot of bones showing through skin..."



This certainly isn't the first time we've heard about LeAnn's weight lately ... and she really does need a sandwich. GETTY IMAGES/FILE PHOTO

JENNIFER HUDSON

"Something's [sic] are priceless. How low can people go. I just don't get it. Stop making up [bleep]!!!"

What set her off: A headline on celeb site Bossip that read "Publishers Would Rather Try To Make Money from the Hudson Family Murders than J.Hud's Slimmy Trimmy-Dom."



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J. Cole is bringing ESPN into the hip-hop world. The former rapper/producer has updated the theme song for the network's "Baseball Tonight" show. "The old one was more like Mozart. This is more like Lil Jon," Cole said in an ESPN video, according to hiphopdx.com. At least now we can watch the Cubs and White Sox lowlights set to a modern soundtrack.



J. Cole

THE DIGIT

\$300,000

That's how much People magazine paid Kim Kardashian for exclusive photos of her engagement party with Kris Humphries, thr.com reports. Since sister Khloe sold her wedding pics to OK! Magazine for the same amount, we can't wait to see how much Kim's cost.

"Blake has never taken nude photos of herself."

A rep for Blake Lively, telling People magazine that photos circulating on the Internet reportedly showing the "Green Lantern" star in the nude are fake.



Blake Lively
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Justin Timberlake
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JUSTIN TIME

Get a good look at Justin Timberlake in "Friends With Benefits." You probably won't see that much skin again. "It was fun but I can't say I'm going to be butt-naked in a movie again," JT told Vanity Fair. "I only did it because I'm young now, and everything's where it's supposed to be. I figured this is the time, before gravity gets the best of me."



Pauly D
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Pauly wanna party?

North Avenue Beach is turning into the Jersey Shore—at least for one day. DJ Pauly D is scheduled as a special guest July 9 at the Volleywood Beach Bash presented by the Chicago Sport and Social Club. Visit chicagosocial.com for all the details on the beach volleyball tournament and party. And get your T-shirt ready.

Lucky No. 3

We all knew this was coming: Buoyed by the box-office success of "The Hangover Part II," which is surging past \$200 million in gross receipts worldwide in its first week in theaters, Warner Bros. is beginning to get the creative gang together for the third part. But which city can out-seedy Las Vegas and Bangkok?

No mistakes

She's on the right track, baby. Lady Gaga crushed it on the Billboard charts with the debut of her new album, "Born This Way." The record-tracking site reports Gaga sold 1.11 million copies of the disc in its first week, while overall digital downloads totaled a record-breaking 662,000 copies.